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In re: BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Entry Into Long Distance (InterLATA)
Service in Tennessee Pursuant to Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of
1996 (TRA Docket No. 97-00309)

Dear Mr. Hastings:

On March 10, 1997, MCI Telecommunications Corporation filed a request to participate in the above-referenced docket. All filings made between March 10, 1997 and March 13, 1998 reflected the participating entity as MCI Telecommunications Corporation. Thereafter, however, future filings listed various entities of "MCI" as the participating party.

On March 17, 1998, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority received a filing from MCI Communications Corporation, and on April 3, 1998, MCIMetro Access Transmission Services, Inc. filed a pleading with the Authority. Between April 24, 1998 and December 10, 1998 the filings in this docket again reflected MCI Communications Corporation as the filing party. A filing received on December 11, 1998, however, listed MCI WorldCom as the party. Six days later, on December 17, 1998, MCI Communications Corporation and WorldCom Technologies, Inc. filed a pleading. A March 15, 1999 filing reflected that MCI WorldCom was the participating party. The next filing, received on August 21, 2001, listed MCIMetro Access Transmission Services, Inc. as the participating party. A September 5, 2001 filing reflected that MCI WorldCom Network Services, Inc. was the party, but a September 6, 2001 filing listed MCI WorldCom, Inc. as the party.

It is unclear from the above filings which "MCI" entity is a party to this docket. Please respond to this letter by indicating whether any entity other than MCI Telecommunications Corporation has sought to participate in this proceeding and explaining the relationship of the various "MCI" entities that have filed pleadings in this docket to MCI Telecommunications

Corporation. Further, your response should indicate which "MCI" entity will appear on all future filings and provide the name of the attorney to whom other parties should provide certificate of service copies. Thank you in advance for your timely attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

K. David Waddell Executive Secretary

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Docket File

Parties of Record